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December 7, 2004

The Honorable Alberto R. Gonzales
Counsel to the President
Office of the White House Counsel
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. Gonzales:

Last year I wrote a letter to your office to support Mr. Abel Holtz's petition for a Presidential Pardon. Today I am writing to reiterate my support Mr. Holtz's petition and to respectfully request your favorable consideration of his petition.

For decades Mr. Holtz has been an active community leader in South Florida, a supporter of numerous charitable causes and a dedicated family man. Of all his achievements, however, the most prominent is his and his wife Fana's continuing contribution to the Holtz Children's Hospital at the University of Miami/Jackson Medical Center. Due to Mr. Holtz's generous contribution of both time and resources, needy children in South Florida are able to receive the highest quality medical assistance available.

I hold Mr. Holtz in the highest regard and I respectfully request your favorable consideration of his petition for a Presidential pardon.

Cordially,



U. S. Department of Justice

Pardon Attorney

Washington, D.C. 20530

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The Honorable Lincoln Diaz-Balart
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Diaz-Balart:

This is in response to your December 7, 2004 letter to Judge Alberto R. Gonzales, then Counsel to the President, supporting a pardon for Abel Holtz. I apologize for the delay in replying.

As you probably are aware, Mr. Holtz's application remains under consideration. Your views in his support are appreciated, and your letter has been made a part of his file. We will notify Mr. Holtz's attorney promptly when final action has been taken on his application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Roger C. Adams".

Roger C. Adams
Pardon Attorney